

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1108

By Hawk

A RESOLUTION to commend Melinda Ann Smartt for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Melinda Ann Smartt is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative David Hawk and the House Conservation and Environment Committee; Melinda's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, born on May 7, 1991 in Grundy County, Melinda Smartt grew up at the Bivens Chapel Church, where she first felt a call to serve her community; and

WHEREAS, salutatorian of Grundy County High School, she is currently a student at East Tennessee State University (ETSU), where she is majoring in history with a minor in anthropology while participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated scholar, she has made the Dean's List and serves as a member of Sigma Alpha Lambda Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, she was named the Most Athletic Intern by the 2012 Intern Class; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her many accomplishments, she enjoys a number of hobbies, such as hiking, fishing, reading, writing, and photography; and

WHEREAS, her goals include rebuilding a '67 Shelby Mustang, giving back to her community, and taking care of her parents, who have provided her with unending love and support; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Melinda Smartt brought her many

abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2012 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Representative David Hawk and his legislative staff think of her as the “Intern of the Year” for her delightful personality, helpfulness, and hard work, and they wish her every bit of success in the future; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2012 legislative session, Ms. Smartt has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Melinda Smartt has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Melinda Ann Smartt for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative David Hawk and the House Conservation and Environment Committee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.